



Wisconsin Industry Partnerships Caucus of Conveners Learning Network 2010-2011

Wednesday, January 26, 2011, Video Conference (local DVR sites) 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

AGENDA

10:00 Welcome, Videoconference Etiquette & Introductions

- Introductions: When introducing yourself, please briefly explain the nature of your industry partnership (i.e. sector, major employers, convening, training)
- Etiquette: Please have a name card with large-font, legible print sitting in front of you; raise your hand if you have a question or comment during Q&A so the facilitator can call on you and please repeat your name and affiliation; be sure to mute your microphone when others are speaking

10:20 Importance of Demonstrating Quality of Employer Engagement and Employer Impact

10:30 Strategies for Strengthening Employer Involvement

- Can you contribute some key insights re:
 - What are some of your best employer relationships, and what makes them particularly meaningful to your project?
 - What strategies work for you in establishing and maintaining employer relationships throughout the IP project?
 - What challenges have you faced in establishing and maintaining employer relationships
- How do you assess quality of employer engagement:
 - How many of your IP project employers regularly provide strategic input and feedback (i.e. through more than occasional meeting attendance, other channels?)
 - "Who" is your employer liaison (HR staff, production/managerial) and how does this guide the strategic training vision of the IP?
 - Are you currently documenting or assessing the quality of employer engagement on your projects? If so, how and using what types of indicators?

11:15 Round-robin on Assessing Employer Impact

- How do you assess the impact of the IP on employers in your project?
 - Are you currently collecting or planning to collect evidence of employer impact?
 - What metrics do you employ, or what metrics make the most sense for your project (i.e. profit, wage effect, efficiency measures, recruitment and hiring metrics)
 - Does your project tell a job creation or retention story?
 - Does your IP project look materially different than work you would do anyway, outside of state IP funding?
- Can you contribute some key insights (i.e. share lessons learned, strategies that work, strategies that don't work, significant short and long-term challenges you have identified) with regard to measuring employer impact?